

# **Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana**

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## **Comprehensive Community Plan**

**County: Jay**

**LCC: Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition**

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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** It is the mission of the Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition (JCDPC) to reduce the illegal use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs in Jay County through education, enforcement, treatment, prevention, and coordination with other agencies. The JCDPC shall support, advocate, and promote legal, state, and national efforts to prevent and reduce the harmful effects of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use.

**History:** The JCDPC was created in 1989 by members of this community who were interested in improving the community through efforts to decrease the use of drugs and alcohol. JCDPC continues to focus on decreasing the suffering and devastation caused by alcohol and other drugs through the collaborative efforts of many energetic and passionate individuals. Since the inception, the JCDPC has been involved in community projects such as Red Ribbon Week, sponsoring speakers in our schools, hosting community educational forums, linking together organizations and services throughout community, organizing and participating in Orange Ribbon Week activities, health and county fairs, as well as developing a community plan. As we have grown in numbers and strength, we have made it our mission to take on additional projects such as the creation of a video library to be used by the community to increase education and understanding of substance abuse issues as well as through participation in Tox-Away day, Recovery Month, and Inhalents Awareness projects. As a result, we have continued to increase awareness community wide, assisted in eliminating gaps in services, and have supported prevention, treatment, and law enforcement efforts to gain the resources and community support necessary for reducing the availability, use, and abuse of alcohol and other drugs.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** The JCDPC has regularly scheduled meetings to address concerns regarding drug and alcohol issues within the community. These meetings are scheduled for the 4th Monday of each month at 3:30 pm. These meetings are open to the public. Matters relating to substance abuse are discussed along with plans for combating problems, educating the public, and increasing community collaborations. The JCDPC is made up of a diverse group of individuals who come from several different organizations with multiple interests. The JCDPC Chairman, Michael Brewster, lead the meetings with support from coalition members and the community consultant from the Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana. It is during monthly meetings that problem statements are devised and recommendations are made. The coalition takes an active role in supplying input and statistical information for the Community Comprehensive Plan. During the monthly meetings requests for funding are accepted and allocations for funding are made as well. The recommendations are then sent to the County Commissioners who have the final say in which projects receive funding. In addition, the monthly meeting provides a forum for additional project ideas that can increase our impact in the community.

The JCDPC identified three problems which should be addressed by our coalition and community over the next three years.

1. Youth and adults in the county abuse prescription drugs.

2. Youth and adults in the community abuse marijuana.
3. Youth and adults in the community abuse alcohol.

The JCDPC requires all organizations/programs who receive funds through the Drug Free Communities Fund to attend a minimum of six coalition meetings and to give updates as to how the funds are being allocated. These updates are given in the form of oral reports given during the monthly meetings. In addition, written reports may be submitted or requested as well.

The JCDPC was created in 1989 by a group of individuals who were concerned about the impact of drug and alcohol abuse within their community. Although the membership has changed since inception, the concerns have not. The group continues to actively pursue opportunities to decrease drug and alcohol abuse, promote continuing education about the effects of substances, sources of treatment, and support new programs that meet the community's drug and alcohol treatment/prevention needs.

A rural area, Jay County has a population of 21,366 (2012). The top areas of employment are agriculture (16.0%) and manufacturing (27.6%). The median family income is \$38,572. Fortunately, we reside in a community that values education as 84.6% of individuals over the age of 25 have a high school diploma and 9.5% of those 25 or older have a bachelors degree or higher. Unfortunately, we continue to have 15.9% (2011) of our community living below the poverty line, with 7.3% of our workforce being unemployed.

The JCDPC is made up of individuals from local organizations who, through their work or by their involvement in the community, are interested in improving the community and decreasing the use of drugs and alcohol. The JCDPC continues to support local efforts through the allocation of Drug Free Communities funds. Organizations that have benefited from these funds include The Youth Service Bureau of Jay County, Inc., Jay County Sheriff's Department, Portland Police Department, Meridian Services, and Jay County Community Corrections to name a few. The JCDPC has also participated in community events such as Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness, Tox-Away Day, Portland Police Department's Citizens Academy, health fairs, fall festivals, and community education meetings to name a few.

## Membership List

### County LCC Name:

#	Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
1	Arnold, Steve Pastor	Evangelical Methodist Church	C	M	Religion
2	Lopez, George	Prosecutors Office	H	M	Other
3	Wellman, Brianne	Youth Service Bureau	C	F	Treatment
4	Schwartz, Ben	Jay County Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement

5	Bicknell, Rob	Jay County Sheriff Department	c	m	Law Enforcement
6	Brewster, Michael	City Council, Portland Police Department	C	M	Government
7	Bryan, Nat	Meridian Services	C	M	Treatment
8	Corwin, Phil	The Youth Service Bureau of Jay County Inc.	C	M	Treatment
9	Keen, Dave	2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance Recovery	C	M	Religion
10	Kobza, Cara	Purdue Extension	C	F	Education
11	Hunt, Molly	Purdue Extension	C	F	Education
12	Hendershot, Gary	Jay County Community Corrections	C	M	Law Enforcement
13	Henry, Kristi	Purdue Extension	C	F	Education
14	Kovacs, Becky	Grant Blackford Mental Health	C	F	Treatment
15	May, Ron	Jay County Probation Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
16	Newton, Ray	Jay County Sheriff Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
17	Newman, Lee	Jay School Corporation	C	M	Education
18	Solis, Aldopho	Casa de Portland	H	M	Advocacy Group
19	Rowles, Sherri	Jay County Hospital	C	F	Medical
20	Springer, Nathan	Portland Police Department	C	M	Law Enforcement
21	Vanskyock, Jennifer	Delta Theta Tau	C	F	Civic Organization
22	Tow, Helen	Community and Family	C	F	Education

		Services			
23	Weaver, Rob	WPGW-radio	C	M	Media
24	Weiland, Yvette	Jay County Community Corrections	C	F	Law Enforcement

## Problem Identification

**A. Problem Statement #1: Youth and adults in Jay County abuse prescription drugs.**

**B. Supportive Data:**

1. Students and school personnel report that students are selling or attempting to sell prescription drugs at school.
2. During the 2012-2013 school year 7 Jay County students were referred for prescription drug related offenses.
3. The Portland Police Department, Jay County Sheriff's Office, Tri-County Drug Task Force, and Indiana State Police for Jay County arrests, report a combined 50 prescription drug related arrests in 2012.
4. 34 % of removals by Jay County DCS in 2012 were drug and alcohol related.
5. 3 Juveniles in 2012 were referred to Jay County Juvenile Probation for prescription drug related offense.
6. There was 6 Keeping-At-Risk Students in School (KARSS) participant during the 2012-2013 school year for prescription drug related offense.
7. According to The Indiana Prevention Resource Center (IPRC) the Reported the lifetime use of over-the-counter drugs to get high Decreased for youth in grades 7-12 and the monthly prevalence rates for over-the-counter drugs to get high decreased for youth in grades 8 through 11.

### End of Year 1 Update:

1. Students and school personal report that students are selling or attempting to sell prescription drugs at school.
2. During the 2013-2014 school year 2 students were referred for prescription drug related offenses.
3. The Portland Police, Jay County Sheriff's Office, Drug Task Force, and Indiana State Police arrest, report a combined 128 prescription drug related offenses in 2013.
4. Jay County Department of Child Services report that they had 26 removals in 2013 that were drug related.

5. 0 juveniles were referred to Jay County Juvenile Probation in 2013 for prescription drug related referrals.
6. There was only 1 Keeping At-Risk Students in School (KARASS) participant during the 2013-2014 school year for prescription drug related offenses.
7. According to Jay County Prosecutor's Office there was 46 cases that were filed that were prescription drug related.
8. Meridian Health Services had 8 clients in Jay County court ordered to participate in substance abuse classes due to prescription drugs in 2013.
9. According to Monitoring the Future, Use of Any Prescription Drug, has remained relatively stable since 2008 and the study showed that sources of prescription drugs remained primarily with informal networks of friends and, to a lesser extent relatives.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**C. Goals:**

1. To reduce the number of youth referred for disciplinary action for prescription drug offenses 10% over the next three years.
2. To have a 10% increase in the number of prescription drug arrests among adults over the next three years.

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. The number of youth referred for disciplinary action for prescription drug offenses dropped 71% from the 2012-2013 school year.
2. There was a 156% increase in prescription drug related arrests in 2013 compared to 2012.

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Final Report (end of Year 3):**

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**D. Objectives:**

1. To support community and county events through participation in drug

awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, festivals, etc.

2. Support increased awareness in the schools.
3. The JCDPC will work to prevent unused prescription drugs from being obtained/consumed illegally.
  4. Support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide.
5. The JCDPC will continue to support local law enforcement.
6. The JCDPC will improve community education through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
7. The JCDPC will seek to curb prescription drug abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with prescription drugs in Jay County.

#### **End of Year 1 Update:**

1. The coalition supported county events in 2013 through participation in drug awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, and fall festivals.
2. The coalition supported increased awareness in schools in 2013 through the KARSS Program, DARE, Red Ribbon Week Activities, and Orange Ribbon Week Activities at the local high school.
3. The JCDPC worked to prevent unused prescription drugs from being obtained/consumed illegally in 2013 by taking in unused meds at Tox-Away Day.
4. The JCDPC worked to support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide by having a training to educate coalition members on the program.
5. The JCDPC continued to support local law enforcement in 2013 through funding video and audio equipment for undercover officers and buy money.
6. The JCDPC improved community education in 2013 through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
7. The JCDPC worked to curb prescription drug abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with prescription drugs in Jay County in 2013 through monthly newspaper articles, information presented at health fairs/festivals, and through participation in Tox-Away Day.

#### **End of Year 2 Update:**

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#### **Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**A. Problem Statement #2: Youth and adults in Jay County abuse Marijuana.**



**B. Supportive Data:**

1. During the 2012-2013 school year 10 students were referred for disciplinary action for marijuana related offenses.
2. The Portland Police Department, Jay County Sheriff's Department, Tri-County Drug Task Force and the Indiana State Police for Jay county report a combined 60 marijuana related arrests in 2012.
3. Meridian Health Services had 36 clients in Jay County court ordered to participate in substance abuse classes due to marijuana in 2012.
4. 34% of removals by Jay County DCS in 2012 were drug or alcohol related.
5. 14% of juveniles who were referred to Jay County Juvenile Probation in 2012 were for marijuana use.
6. There was 3 Keeping-At-Risk Students in School (KARSS) participant during the 2012-2013 school year for marijuana related offenses.
7. According to Indiana Prevention Resource Center's 2012 annual report grades 6 to 8 lifetime use of marijuana decreased for youth in grades 6 and 7 and held steady for youth in grade 8.

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. During the 2013-2014 school year 5 Jay County students were referred for disciplinary action for marijuana related offenses.
2. The Portland Police Department, Jay County Sheriff's Office, Drug Task Force, and the Indiana State Police report that they had 95 marijuana related drug arrests in 2013.
3. 46% of removals from Jay County Department of Child Services were drug related.
4. Meridian Health Services
5. Jay County Juvenile Probation reports that in 2013 4 juveniles were referred for marijuana use.
6. There was 4 Keeping-At-Risk Students in School (KARSS) whom participated during the 2013-2014 school year for marijuana use.
7. According to Jay County Prosecutor's Office there was 64 total cases that were filed in 2013 that were marijuana related.
8. According to the Indiana Prevention Resource reported lifetime use of marijuana in grades 6-12 grade decreased since 2010.
9. Meridian Health Services had 23 clients in Jay County court ordered to participate in substance abuse classes due to marijuana in 2013.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**C. Goals:**



1. To reduce the number of students referred for disciplinary action for marijuana offenses 10% over the next three years.
2. To have a 10% increase in the number of marijuana related drug arrests over the next three years.

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. The number of students referred for disciplinary action for marijuana offenses reduced 50% from 2012-2013 school year to the 2013-2014 school year.
2. There was a 36% increase in the number of marijuana related drug arrests from 2012 to 2013.

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:****Final Report (end of Year 3):**

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**D. Objectives:**

1. To support community and county events through participation in drug awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, festivals, etc.
2. To support increased awareness in the schools.
3. Support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide.
4. The JCDPC will continue to support local law enforcement.
5. The JCDPC will improve community education through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
6. The JCDPC will continue to support community efforts to support both K-2 bands in the City Of Portland and Jay County.
7. The JCDPC will seek to curb marijuana drug abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with marijuana use in Jay County.

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. The coalition supported county events in 2013 through participation in drug awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, and fall festivals.
2. The coalition supported increased awareness in schools in 2013 through the KARSS Program, DARE, Red Ribbon Week Activities, and Orange Ribbon Week Activities at the local high school.

3. The JCDPC worked to support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide by having a training to educate coalition members on the program.
4. The JCDPC continued to support local law enforcement in 2013 through funding video and audio equipment for undercover officers.
5. The JCDPC improved community education in 2013 through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
6. The JCDPC continues to support the state's ban on K-2.
7. The JCDPC worked to curb marijuana drug abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with marijuana use in Jay County through educating the public at our local health fair.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**Problem Statement #3: Youth and Adults in Jay County abuse alcohol.**

**B. Supportive Data:**

1. During the 2012-2013 school year 1 Jay County student was referred for disciplinary action for an alcohol related offense.
2. The Portland Police Department, Jay County Sheriff's Office, and the Indiana State Police for Jay county reported 42 OWI arrests and 31 minor consumptions in 2012.
3. Meridian Services had 34 clients in Jay County court ordered to participate in substance abuse classes due to OWI offenses in 2012.
4. 34% of removals by Jay County DCS were drug or alcohol related.
5. 16% of juveniles who were referred in 2012 was alcohol related.
6. There were 0 Keeping-At-Risk Students in School (KARSS) participants during the 2012-2013 school year.
7. According to the National Youth Risk Behavior Survey shows progress in behaviors related to alcohol use among Indiana high school students from 2003-2011, the number of Indiana students who had at least one drink of alcohol during the thirty days before the survey, declined from 45 to 33 percent.
8. According to Indiana Prevention Resource Center (IPRC) lifetime and monthly use of alcohol among youth in grades 6 and 7 decreased and these changes continue a downward trend in lifetime use of alcohol.

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. The number of students referred for disciplinary action for alcohol use during the 2013-2014 school year was 0.
2. The Portland Police Department, Jay County Sheriff's Office, Drug Task Force, and The Indiana State Police for Jay County report a total of 281 alcohol related arrest in 2013. All reported 81 minor consumption, 32 Public Intoxication, and 168 Operating While Intoxicated.
3. Meridian Health Services had 54 clients in Jay County court ordered to participate in substance abuse classes due to OWI offenses in 2013.
4. 46% of removals from Jay County Department of Child Services were drug related.
5. Jay County Juvenile Probation reports that in 2013 4 juveniles were referred for alcohol use.
6. There were none Keeping-At-Risk Students in School (KARSS) whom participated during the 2013-2014 school year for alcohol use, showing the trend that the KARSS program has not had any participants for alcohol use.
7. According to Jay County Prosecutor's Office there was 167 total cases that were filed in 2013 that were alcohol related.
8. According to Indiana Prevention Council alcohol use among grades 6-12 has been continuing a downward trend in lifetime use of alcohol observed since the early 1990s.
9. The number of students disciplined for alcohol shows the growing trend that students are making better choices when it comes to alcohol.
10. Meridian Health Services saw a 58% increase in those who were court ordered to take classes due to an OWI in 2013.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**C. Goals:**

1. To reduce the number of youth charged with minor consumption 10% over the next three years.
2. To have a 10% increase in the number of OWI arrests over the next three years.

**End of Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

1. There was a 65% increase in minor consumption arrests in 2013 compared to 2012.
2. There was a 300% increase in OWI arrests in 2013 compared to 2012.

**End of Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Final Report (end of Year 3):**

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**D. Objectives:**

1. To support community and county events through participation in drug awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, festivals, etc.
2. To support increased alcohol prevention and awareness in the schools.
3. Support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide.
4. The JCDPC will continue to support local law enforcement.
5. The JCDPC will improve community education through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
6. The JCDPC will seek to curb alcohol abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with alcohol use in Jay County.

**End of Year 1 Update:**

1. The coalition supported county events in 2013 through participation in drug awareness education programs including the activities of Red Ribbon Week, Orange Ribbon Week, Tox-Away Day, Recovery Month, Inhalants Awareness Month, DARE, health fairs, and fall festivals.
2. The coalition supported increased awareness in schools in 2013 through the KARSS Program, DARE, Red Ribbon Week Activities, and Orange Ribbon Week Activities at the local high school.
3. The JCDPC worked to support the effort to implement 40 Developmental Assets County wide by having a training to educate coalition members on the program.
4. The JCDPC continued to support local law enforcement in 2013 through funding video equipment for squad cars.
5. The JCDPC improved community education in 2013 through monthly editorials submitted to the local newspaper by coalition members.
6. The JCDPC worked to curb alcohol abuse and change community perceptions of the dangers associated with alcohol use in Jay County through educating the public at our local health fair and fall festival.

**End of Year 2 Update:**

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**Final Update (end of Year 3):**

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**\*For 2013 I have included new stats from the Jay County Prosecutor's office, which shows the number of cases related to prescription, marijuana, and alcohol.**

**\*For 2013 I have included prescription stats for Meridian Health Services.\***

**Next Annual Update Due: November 2015**

**Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: 11/30/16**

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